

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:766  
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Establishment of Telugu Vidyapeeth University  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Ministry has received any proposal from State Government of Andhra Pradesh requesting for establishment of Telugu Vidyapeeth in Guntur;
- (b) If so, the details thereof;
- (c) Whether any action has been initiated by the Ministry in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) to (d): At present there is no proposal under consideration to set up a new Central University by the name of Telugu Vidyapeeth in Guntur. However, the Andhra Pradesh Re-organisation Act 2014 inter alia provides for establishment of one Central University and one Central Tribal University in Andhra Pradesh.

During 12th Plan (2012-17), as approved by National Development Council (NDC), the thrust is on consolidation of the higher education system. Expansion would be mainly done by scaling up capacity of the existing institutions in place of setting up new institutions. The Central Government has launched Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) on cost sharing basis to assist States to open new institutions.

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